

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicants: Mezes, *et al.*
 Serial Number: 10/044,564 EXAMINER: Robert A. Wax
 Filing Date: January 11, 2002 ART UNIT: 1653
 For: Proteins and Nucleic Acids Encoding Same

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants request a petition for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the Restriction Requirement dated June 28, 2004. With the extension, the response is due on or before Monday, August 30, 2004 (August 28, 2004 being a Saturday). Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21402-240 (Cura-540). A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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